## **REMARKS**

Initially, applicants would like to express their appreciation to the Examiner and her supervisor for discussing the present application with applicants' representative on April 6, 2005. During the telephone interview, applicants' representative explained the operation of the present invention.

With respect to paragraph 1 of the detailed action, applicants note that no paper was filed on April 16, 2004. Rather amendments to the claims were submitted on April 13, 2004. Subsequent to the filing of the amendments on April 13, 2004, applicants filed further remarks on October 15, 2004, (without claim amendments) in response to the July 15, 2005, final rejection.

With the present amendment, claims 1 and 6 have been amended, and claim 5 has been canceled. In view of the amendments and the discussion during the interview, it is requested that the §112 rejections be withdrawn.

The Examiner has rejected all of the outstanding claims under 35 U.S.C. §103. In particular, the Examiner argues that SBISA shows a query comprising unformatted data, i.e., the service request. Applicants respectfully traverse.

Claim 1 requires a query comprising unformatted calling data to be received at an SCP. The SCP then samples the calling data, which was included in the query. SBISA's service request does not appear to include unformatted calling data. Moreover, SBISA does

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not describe sampling the unformatted calling data at the SCP. Rather, SBISA creates a message that is sent to the SCP, the message identifying the requested services. There is no discussion nor suggestion of sending unformatted *call data* in a query, and then sampling the call data.

As acknowledged by Examiner Mwanyoha on page 3 of the January 13, 2004, Official Action, SBISA ('853) teaches the conventional process in which the SCP creates a SMDR formatted report (i.e., formats the data). In contrast, the independent claims require forwarding of unformatted data from the SCP (or call processor), or formatting the data in a location other than the SCP, e.g., a data distributor or front end server. NOLTING, SBISA '741, SAPRA et al., MOTT et al., HERBERT, and SCHLOSSMAN also do not teach or suggest such a limitation. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Claims 13, 16, and 20 recite additional network elements not shown or suggested by any of the applied references. For example, claim 13 recites a front end server in a private network. Thus, for these additional reasons, it is requested that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of claims 13, 16, and 20.

Applicants further assert that dependent claims 2 - 4, 8 - 14, 15, 17 - 19, and 21 - 23 are allowable over the applied prior art, at least because each depends, directly or indirectly, from an allowable independent claim as well as for additional reasons relating to their own

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recitations. Accordingly, for each of these reasons it is requested that the Examiner indicate the allowability of all of the currently pending claims.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this paper or the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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